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TO : SAC, Albany

DATE: October 2, 1958

FROM : *JFA* Director, FBI (100-358086)SUBJECT: SECURITY INVESTIGATIONS OF INDIVIDUALS
COMMUNIST INDEX
INTERNAL SECURITY - C

Current procedures for the Communist Index (CI) were instituted by SAC Letter 56-56 (L), 10/30/56. The CI represents those persons who in the light of ever-changing conditions should continually be borne in mind with a view toward possible future investigation under the Security Index (SI) Program. Present instructions provide for removal or deletion of CI cards if the subject is placed on the SI or becomes an informant and that no investigative or administrative effort is to be expended to keep these cards in an

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up-to-date status. However, in the light of increased international tensions, a re-examination of all cases at this time is considered essential for these reasons:

- 1) The Communist Party (CP) has been in a disorganized state and is now reconstituting and rebuilding its membership on the basis of current issues, such as the Formosa crisis, segregation, et cetera. Subjects in the CI are those most likely to be recontacted and recruited.
- 2) Many subjects, no longer CP members in the bookkeeping sense, retain their militant international Marxist views independently. There is also that large group of followers of the CP line who may be potentially dangerous even though they never became recorded members of the CP.
- 3) The recent development of new CP offshoot groups, both to the left and to the right, makes broader intelligence coverage more essential and difficult. Older factions of the CP, such as the Socialist Workers Party, are attempting vigorously to recruit disillusioned former CP members.
- 4) A greater number of informants and potential informants ready to be assimilated into a larger CP and its factions is essential. These CI cases present an excellent informant potential.
- 5) The Bureau notes that numerous subjects, removed from the SI in 1955, have been re-placed on the SI on the basis of newly developed evidence. Intensified re-examination of the CI should speed the return of such cases to the SI.

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6) If the international crisis deepens the Soviet Intelligence Service will be restricted in its ability to function on an overt basis from diplomatic establishments. In this situation, greater reliance must then be placed on the covert use of United States nationals with a Marxist background and sympathy.

Accordingly, the CI should be completely re-examined on an individual case basis. This re-examination should be made in equal monthly divisions for one year and, where appropriate, should be adapted geographically to the integrated investigative system.

In the light of the foregoing factors, as each case is reopened disposition should be considered in one of the following categories: a) potential informant; b) espionage subject; c) SI subject; d) retention in CI; e) removal from CI.

The following minimum investigative steps should be taken:

- 1) Review file and all pertinent references thoroughly.
- 2) Contact informants, sources, and defected communists who could be expected to know the subject. Contact for evidence of current activity and also for the sources' evaluation of potential dangerousness.
- 3) Determine residence and employment. Check against the key facilities and classified contractors lists to insure full and complete dissemination is made. Submit Form FD-128 if the subject has moved to a new field division.
- 4) If the subject has been a CP "drop" or ceased activity suddenly, develop information to show the reason. Many of these "drops" are purely on the

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basis of theoretical and intellectual differences. The convictions of the persons involved remain unchanged in their hard-core devotion to the principles of international communism, waiting only for what they consider to be a more favorable climate within ruling communist circles. It should also be borne in mind constantly that unexplained cessation of communist activity by a subject may well be based upon a contemplated assignment in espionage or illegal underground activity.

5) Consider interview or reinterview without regard to prior interview results. Bear in mind the Khrushchev revelations of terror under Stalin, anti-Semitism in the Soviet Union and the Hungarian revolt.

6) Secure a current description.

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Statistics should be maintained throughout this program. They should be submitted quarterly beginning 1/15/59 as follows:

- 1) Number on CI at beginning of program.
- 2) Number on CI to date.
- 3) Number removed from CI during period.
- 4) Number of informants or potential informants developed.
- 5) Number of subjects placed on the SI as a result of this program.
- 6) Number of espionage cases opened. Identify.
- 7) Number of subjects found to be employed at key facilities or by classified contractors.

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8) Number of instances where this program turned up subjects with delicate or sensitive employment or relationships requiring additional dissemination in line with FBI's over-all security responsibilities.

In order that this program may be closely followed at the Bureau, you are requested to add to the character of all cover letters to reports submitted the words (Communist Index), i.e., John Doe, Security Matter - C, (Communist Index).

This program should be completed by 10/15/59.

(I) SECURITY INVESTIGATIONS OF INDIVIDUALS - FRAUD AGAINST THE GOVERNMENT - NATIONAL DEFENSE EDUCATION ACT OF 1958 -- Above act (Public Law 85-864) approved September 2, 1958, made Federal funds immediately available for the granting of loans, gifts, and fellowships to students and educators for the purpose of encouraging studies in the sciences, modern foreign languages, and student counseling. No part of the funds made available under the act may be paid to any individual unless he executes and files with the United States Commissioner of Education an oath of allegiance to the United States and an affidavit that he "does not believe in, and is not a member of, and does not support any organization that believes in or teaches, the overthrow of the United States Government by force or violence or by any illegal or unconstitutional method...." The act provides that Section 1001, Title 18, United States Code is applicable with respect to these affidavits. You should be alert during the course of security investigations of students and educators for possible violations which should be brought to the Bureau's attention for referral to the Department.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover

Director

Enclosures for (A)

10/21/58
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TO : SAC H. O. HAWKINS

DATE: 10-31-58

FROM : SA GRAHAM W. KITCHEL

SUBJECT: SECURITY INVESTIGATIONS OF INDIVIDUALS
COMMUNIST INDEX
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ReBulet to Albany 10-2-58.

The following cases should be reopened and assigned under this program.

Charles Anderson	100-7203	b6
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Frances Eva Belikoff	100-7503	
Henry Joseph Blount	100-2222	
Birdie Blount	100-5820	

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Following is a list of the individuals on the Houston Communist Index together with the file number for each. Re let instructs that these cases be reopened and certain investigation be conducted to determine whether the individual should be considered in one of the followint categories: a) potential informant; b) espionage subject; c) SI subject; d) retention in CI; e) removal from CI. The re-examination of these cases should be made in equal monthly divisions for one year.

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CHARLES JOSEPH ANDERSON, WA	100-7203
[REDACTED]	100-7538
FRANCES EVA BELIKOFF	100-7503
HENRY JOSEPH EDWARD BLOUNT	100-2222
Mrs. BIRDIE BLOUNT	100-5820

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[REDACTED]	100-9155
WALDO HUGH COFFMAN	100-632
[REDACTED]	100-8105
Maurice Dollar	100-8123
[REDACTED]	100-7916

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PEARL BASS FOX	100-7529
EMILE FREDRICK	100-8101
[REDACTED]	100-8102
[REDACTED]	100-7719
OLAN CLIFFORD HARDY	100-8236

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HOKE HIGDON	100-7071
LOUIS K. JACOBS	100-7799
ANNE FREIDIN JAGODA	100-8333
FRANCES LA BOA	100-6374
[REDACTED]	100-7634

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CYRIL IVERSON LUSKAC.....	100-5496
[REDACTED].....	100-6327
[REDACTED].....	100-2190
[REDACTED].....	100-8125
ARTHUR J. MANDELL	100-93
[REDACTED].....	100-8099
[REDACTED].....	100-7925
[REDACTED].....	100-9083
[REDACTED].....	100-8941
[REDACTED].....	100-9048
[REDACTED].....	100-523
[REDACTED].....	100-7958
[REDACTED].....	100-8995
CECIL ROWSEY.....	100-9199
SAM SARANDIS.....	100-8224
AARON SERIFF	100-8504
[REDACTED].....	100-8190
[REDACTED].....	100-8197
[REDACTED].....	100-8569
WILLIAM WOLMAN.....	100-2176
[REDACTED].....	100-1430
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If the above cases are reopened and assigned at a rate of five per month, the project will be completed within 8 to 9 months. It is suggested that this be done and the cases opened according to the above grouping.

(H) SECURITY INVESTIGATIONS OF INDIVIDUALS -- The Independent Socialist League (ISL), a revolutionary socialist organization based on the theories of Marx, Engels and Lenin as interpreted by Leon Trotsky, and its youth counterpart, the Young Socialist League (YSL), formally dissolved and merged with the Socialist Party - Socialist Democratic Federation (SP-SDF) and its youth counterpart, the Young People's Socialist League (YPSL), respectively, on or about September 15, 1958. Former members of the ISL and YSL were urged to join the SP-SDF and the YPSL, respectively. These latter two organizations are not under investigation by this Bureau.

There are included in the Security Index the names of individuals formerly affiliated with the ISL. Their names are included therein because of evidence developed indicating that they represent a potential threat to the internal security of the country in the event of an emergency. The fact that these individuals have lost their organizational affiliation with the ISL does not necessarily indicate that they present less of a potential threat to the internal security of the nation. Therefore, active investigation of those individuals whose names are included in the Security Index because of past affiliation with the ISL should be continued as in the past until a determination is made as to whether they present a potential threat to the internal security of the country.

In continuing the investigation of these individuals, report fully any information developed concerning a subject's activities that would have a bearing on his Security Index status. If facts are developed that would warrant deletion of his name from the Security Index, such a recommendation should be submitted. Conversely, if facts are developed that would justify the continued retention of his name in the Security Index, such facts should be reported in detail. Particular emphasis should be given to the development and reporting of revolutionary statements and activities on the subject's part indicating that he continues to present a potential threat to the internal security.

Inasmuch as the SP-SDF is not under investigation, care should be taken to insure that continued investigation of these individuals does not result in unfounded charges that the Bureau is investigating that organization.

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Reports in these cases should continue to be submitted under the "Internal Security - ISL" or "Security Matter - ISL" character, as the case may be.

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(J) SECURITY INVESTIGATIONS OF INDIVIDUALS -- Effective immediately, utilize 100 classification in opening cases on individual members of the Nation of Islam.

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(I) SECURITY INVESTIGATIONS OF INDIVIDUALS -- In reviewing organizational reports in internal security matters, the Bureau has noted a tendency on the part of some field offices to fail to open for immediate investigation some individual cases in which allegations of current membership or activity in subversive organizations exists.

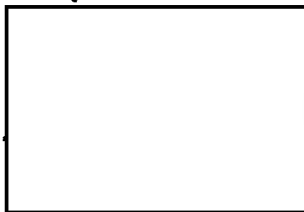
It is a fundamental FBI responsibility to open immediately cases on individuals concerning whom information is received indicating current membership and activity in a basic revolutionary organization or active participation or leadership in front groups. Indications to this effect developed in the course of investigation of subversive organizations as such must be promptly resolved by investigation so that the questions of potential dangerousness and Security Index status can be resolved as soon as possible.

This matter will be followed closely at the Bureau to assure that cases in this category are promptly opened and investigated.

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TO : SAC. H. O. HAWKINS

DATE: 12/30/58

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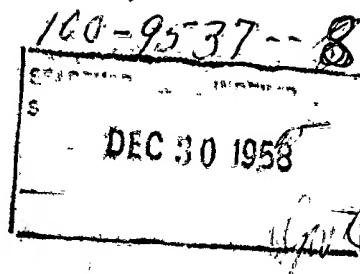
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The following cases should be reopened and assigned
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[REDACTED]	100-9155
WALDO HUGH COFFMAN	100-632
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MAURICE DOLLAR	100-8123
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Re Bureau letter to Albany dated 10/2/58.

Following are the statistics regarding this
program in the Houston Office to date:

1. Number on CI at beginning of program-----42
2. Number on CI to date-----42
3. Number removed from CI during period----- 0
4. Number of informants or potential
informants developed----- 0
5. Number of subjects placed on the SI as
a result of program----- 0
6. Number of espionage cases opened----- 0
7. Number of subjects found to be employed
at key facilities or by classified
contractors----- 0
8. Number of instances where this program
turned up subjects with delicate or sensitive
employment or relationships requiring
additional dissemination in line with FBI's
over-all security responsibilities----- 0

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Although the above indicates no one removed from the CI and no potential informants developed to date, one subject has cooperated in an interview. This is CHARLES JOSEPH ANDERSON, subject of Bureau file 100-334227. A report of his interview is being submitted. At the completion of interviews with [REDACTED] Bureau file 100-335457, a determination will be made regarding their removal from the CI. At this time it is not believed that either have any informant potential.

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TO : SAC, Albany

DATE: January 29, 1959

FROM: *JWA* Director, FBI (100-358086)PERSONAL ATTENTION

SUBJECT: SECURITY INVESTIGATIONS OF INDIVIDUALS

The Bureau has noted numerous instances in the recent past in which the field has set forth insufficient reasons as a basis for not considering a subject for interview or reinterview as the case may be. It is the Bureau's opinion the mere fact that a security subject was uncooperative or hostile upon the occasion of the last attempted interview is not a valid reason for not considering a reinterview at this time. Neither should recently reported Party activity by the subject be considered such.

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As you are aware, every security subject is a potential informant or source of information if cooperative. It is incumbent upon us to make certain we take every means possible to increase our informant coverage. Our tremendous responsibilities in the security field demand this.

It should constantly be borne in mind that the Khrushchev revelations of terror under Stalin, anti-Semitism in the Soviet Union, and the Soviet's treatment of the Hungarian revolt, together with recent factionalism and bickering within the Communist Party, USA, have shaken the convictions and have caused the defection of many communists, many of whom undoubtedly have been interviewed in the past and were uncooperative.

In view of the above, it is requested that you bring to the attention of all Agents handling security investigations the necessity for considering the interview or the reinterview, as the case may be, of all security subjects without regard to prior results or status of Party activity.

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI(65-19763)

February 28, 1959

FROM: SAC, HOUSTON (100-632)

WALDO HUGH COFFMAN
SECURITY MATTER - C
(Communist Index)

This case was reopened in the Houston office under the Communist Index program to bring the investigation up to date.

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On 2/17/59, INS. [REDACTED], Credit Bureau of Greater Houston, displayed to SA EDWIN DALLWITZ newspaper clippings from The Houston Post newspaper. One clipping, dated 12/6/58, reported that WALDO HUGH COFFMAN had died on the previous day. Data appearing in this clipping made it apparent it pertained to subject. A second clipping, dated 6/9/58, reported the death of subject's wife, Mrs. DOROTHY COFFMAN. Consequently, subject's name is being deleted from the Communist Index of this office.

By letter dated 1/20/59 under the caption "HOUSE COMMITTEE ON UN-AMERICAN ACTIVITIES, INFORMATION CONCERNING, SUBVERSIVE CONTROL," this office advised the Bureau that subject's name appeared on a list of names of individuals in possession of HCUA who might be subpoenaed if committee hearings are held in Houston. One copy of this letter is being furnished for the Bureau's file under this caption. C.

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(G) SECURITY INVESTIGATIONS AND INTELLIGENCE COVERAGE -- International communism has stepped-up its propaganda campaign designed to create the impression that the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics (USSR) is willing to mediate and compromise with the West, as is demonstrated by the statements of Mikoyan in his recent visit to this country and by the assumed willingness of the USSR to mediate and arbitrate differences with the western powers. This propaganda has undoubtedly succeeded in causing some portions of the American public to consider that the danger of communism is abating. This same trend in public opinion has received additional support from various decisions of the Federal courts limiting the effect of Government security programs and otherwise weakening our security structure.

It is, of course, not true that the threat of communism is abating. The FBI, as the agency primarily responsible in the field of security investigations, must continue its vigorous and thorough pursuit of such investigations and utilize every means available, both of investigative techniques and of manpower. This requires more than dealing with situations and individual cases as they arise. To combat the menace of subversion requires probing and searching analysis of every possible field of subversive activity, getting below the surface to the real meat of the situation. Field offices must be alert to the necessity for penetrative and positive action beyond the routine handling of subversive matters.

Each Special Agent in Charge must recognize his responsibilities to see to it that these matters receive proper handling and that all personnel assigned to security investigations handle their tasks with interest and enthusiasm. It is also the Special Agent in Charge's responsibility to assign sufficient personnel to assure that these investigations receive prompt and thorough attention and that there is no letdown or misunderstanding among the personnel in his office concerning the threat of communism and the necessity that proper attention be paid thereto.

I am instructing the Training and Inspection Division, in field office inspections, to be most alert to check into this to see to it that proper attention is being paid to these matters in line with the observations herein.

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FROM : SA GRAHAM W. KITCHEL

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The following cases should be reopened and assigned under this program.

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[REDACTED]	100- 7719
OLAN CLIFFORD HARDY	100- 8236
HOKE HIGDON	100- 7071
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TO : SAC, Albany

DATE: February 6, 1959

FROM : *JAB* Director, FBI (100-358086)PERSONAL ATTENTIONSUBJECT: SECURITY INVESTIGATIONS OF INDIVIDUALS

On January 12 and 13, 1959, a conference was held at the Bureau attended by representatives from 14 field offices and the Legal Attaches from Ottawa, Canada, and Mexico City, Mexico. This conference was held for the purpose of analyzing our entire operations and our goals and objectives in the internal security-espionage field. Among the programs discussed at this conference were (1) the program for identification of Communist Party (CP) members, (2) the Security Index program, and (3) the Communist Index program.

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1) Identification of CP Members

The conference discussed the problems confronting the field in attempting to establish sound estimates as to the current CP membership, in achieving positive identification of individuals belonging to the CP and other revolutionary groups, and in developing sufficient information concerning their activities as to warrant inclusion of their names in the Security Index. It noted that frequently fragmentary information is obtained from a source or from a highly confidential technique which, if pursued by the use of other investigative techniques, will result in definitely tying in the information with a specific individual. It was the unanimous opinion of the conference that the employment of photographic surveillances, physical surveillances and the development of anonymous sources require the use of a considerable amount of manpower and, further, that it is often necessary to utilize some or all of these techniques to obtain the desired information. Field representatives noted that there have been some instances in the past where a lack of available manpower has made it necessary to forego the use of these investigative aids. In this connection, the Bureau noted a decrease in the use of these techniques during the past year, particularly in the development of highly confidential sources which have proven to be very successful in the past and provide the type of data required to implement this program.

We cannot depend exclusively upon security informant coverage for development of information desired under this program but must utilize every investigative technique available to us if we are to fully discharge our responsibilities in the security field.

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2) Security Index Program

The conference recognized that the summary apprehensions which will be effected in a time of emergency make it necessary that each individual case being considered for the Security Index receive careful consideration and that the responsibilities of the Bureau under this program are grave. The unanimous opinion was that proper application of the existing criteria for inclusion of individuals on the Security Index provides effective means of dealing with the situation and that no change in such criteria of either a liberalizing or constrictive nature is necessary or desirable. Such criteria are not to be so blindly applied as to lose sight of the basic requirement that the Index include all persons who represent a potential danger to internal security. Promptness in initiating and thoroughness in completing investigations of individuals being considered for possible inclusion on the Security Index are, of course, of prime importance and must be given close attention.

3) Communist Index Program

The results obtained in the brief time since initiation of the Communist Index program were discussed. Investigations initiated under this program have already resulted in the inclusion on the Security Index of several individuals, the development of new security informants, location of individuals employed in sensitive positions, and development of considerable intelligence data as a result of cooperative interviews. The Communist Index constitutes a reservoir and basis from which both informants and Security Index subjects will be developed. Consequently, this Index must be carefully maintained so that it continues to contain names of all individuals properly belonging therein because of past affiliation with subversive

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movements. The conference was of the opinion that the program will prove to be of considerable value and should be pursued in accordance with current Bureau instructions.

It is readily apparent that the investigations of individual Communist Party members are of paramount importance in view of the Bureau's responsibility for the identification and thorough investigation of every potentially dangerous individual. It is your personal responsibility, therefore, to assure that these investigations are thorough and complete. Sufficient experienced manpower must be assigned to these investigations so that all available investigative techniques can and will be utilized when necessary and appropriate. This matter must receive continuous and preferred attention in each office.

DIRECTOR, FBI (100-358086)

4/15/59

6 SAC, HOUSTON (100-9537)

SECURITY INVESTIGATIONS OF INDIVIDUALS
COMMUNIST INDEX
IS - C

ReBulet to Albany dated 10/2/58, and Houston
letter to Bureau dated 1/14/59.

Following are the statistics regarding this
program in the Houston office to date:

1. Number on CI at beginning of program . . . 42
2. Number on CI to date . . . 38
3. Number removed from CI during period . . . 4
4. Number of informants on potential
informants developed . . . 0
5. Number of subjects placed on SI as a
result of program . . . 0
6. Number of espionage cases opened . . . 0
7. Number of subjects found to be employed
at key facilities or by classified
contractors . . . 0
8. Number of instances where this program
turned up subjects with delicate or
sensitive employment or relationships
requiring additional dissemination in
line with FBI's over-all security
responsibilities . . . 0

2 - Bureau (RM)
1 - Houston

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, HOUSTON (100-9537)

DATE: 5/21/59

FROM : SA EDWIN DALRYMPLE

SUBJECT: COMMUNIST INDEX
INTERNAL SECURITY - C

[redacted] was interviewed by SA's [redacted] and [redacted] on 4/30/59 and was completely uncooperative. Details of this interview are being reported in the case file on [redacted]

In view of [redacted] past Communist Party (CP) activities and his present attitude, his name should be retained on the CP Index.

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EMILE FREDRICK and [redacted] were interviewed on 5/14/59. While these subjects were cooperative, they are not being considered as PSI's due to their age and low intelligence. The names of EMILE FREDRICK and [redacted] should be removed from the Communist Index.

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- 1 - 100-6327
- 1 - [redacted]
- 1 - 100-8101
(EMILE FREDRICK)
- 1 - 100-8102
- 1 - [redacted]

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SAC, Albany

JAN Director, FBI (100-358086)SECURITY INVESTIGATIONS OF INDIVIDUALS

Effective immediately interviews of security subjects under the Communist Index Program and interviews of subjects who are included in the Security Index based on affiliation with the Independent Socialist League (ISL) are to be conducted only with Bureau authority. Requests to interview such subjects in those instances deemed desirable should be submitted by letter in accordance with instructions contained in Section 87D of the Manual of Instructions.

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2 - New York
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2 - Philadelphia
2 - Phoenix
2 - Pittsburgh
2 - Portland
2 - Richmond
2 - St. Louis
2 - Salt Lake City
2 - San Antonio
2 - San Diego
2 - San Francisco
2 - San Juan
2 - Savannah
2 - Seattle
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2 - Washington

P.A. 2(1) No ISL on SI or CI Program
(2) None in any resident agency's.

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Re: Security Investigations of Individuals
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This action is deemed desirable by the Bureau at this time as a result of recent attacks by so-called left-wing groups on our interview programs and on over-all Government security programs. In view of such attacks, careful consideration must be given each case prior to authorizing an interview with a security subject in other instances in which permission to authorize interview is vested in the SAC. In addition, Agents conducting interviews with security subjects must be alert to insure that no justifiable allegations of harassment or intimidation can be raised by the subject.

Any instance which may result in potential embarrassment to the Bureau should be immediately brought to the Bureau's attention.

SAC, HOUSTON (100-7071)

5/29/59

SA EDWIN DALRYMPLE

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SECURITY MATTER - C
(COMMUNIST INDEX)

This case was reopened under the Communist Index Program. It is noted subject was deleted from the Security Index in June, 1955. Subject was previously expelled from the Communist Party in March, 1948. He moved to Houston in approximately 1950 and has been unknown to Security Informants of this office. It is noted subject was interviewed in May, 1957 at which time he admitted his former membership in the Communist Party and stated he had no interest in or contacts with the Communist Party since approximately 1947.

Directory searches disclose that subject still resides at 901 Sul Ross Street, Houston, Texas and is employed as an insurance salesman. Subject's wife was interviewed by SA EDWIN DALRYMPLE in approximately January, 1959 in connection with an unrelated Security Matter and exhibited a very cooperative attitude although she did not know the subject of inquiry.

On the basis of subject's long separation from the Communist Party and his attitude when interviewed, in May, 1957, his name is being deleted from the Communist Index of this office and no additional investigation is being conducted. Inasmuch as subject's removal from the Communist Index resulted from a review and re-evaluation of his case file, and no positive information has been developed since submission of the last investigative report, this matter is being closed administratively without submission of a report.

② - Houston

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DIRECTOR, FBI (100-358086)

7/14/59

SAC, HOUSTON (100-9537)

SECURITY INVESTIGATIONS OF INDIVIDUALS
COMMUNIST INDEX
IS - C

ReBulet to Albany dated 10/2/58, and Houston
letter to Bureau dated 4/15/59.

Following are the statistics regarding this
program in the Houston office to date:

1. Number on CI at beginning of program . . . 42
2. Number on CI to date 35
3. Number removed from CI during period . . . 3
4. Number of informants on potential
informants developed 0
5. Number of subjects placed on SI as a
result of program 0
6. Number of espionage cases opened 0
7. Number of subjects found to be employed
at key facilities or by classified
contractors 0
8. Number of instances where this program
turned up subjects with delicate or
sensitive employment or relationships
requiring additional dissemination in
line with FBI's over-all security
responsibilities 0

2 - Bureau (RM)
1 - Houston

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC H. O. HAWKINS

DATE: 7/20/59

FROM : SA GRAHAM W. KITCHEL

SUBJECT: SECURITY INVESTIGATIONS OF INDIVIDUALS
COMMUNIST INDEX
INTERNAL SECURITY - C

ReBulet to Albany, 10/2/58.

The following cases should be reopened and assigned
under this program:

CYRIL IVERSON LUSKAC - 100-5496

[REDACTED] - 100-6327

[REDACTED] - 100-2190

[REDACTED] - 100-8125

ARTHUR J. MANDELL - 100-93

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100-6327
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TO : SAC H. O. HAWKINS

DATE: July 30, 1959

FROM : SA GRAHAM W. KITCHEL

SUBJECT: SECURITY INVESTIGATIONS OF INDIVIDUALS
COMMUNIST INDEX
INTERNAL SECURITY - C

ReBulet to Albany, 10/2/58,

The following cases should be reopened and assigned under this program:

[redacted] -100-8995
Cecil Rowsey - 100- 9199
Sam Sarandis - 100- 8224
Aaron Seriff - 100- 8504
[redacted] 100- 8569
William Wolman 100- 2176
[redacted] 100- 1430
[redacted] 100- 6912

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100-8995
100-9199
100-8224
100-8504
100-8569
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TO : SAC H. O. HAWKINS

DATE: July 30, 1959

FROM : SA GRAHAM W. KITCHEL

SUBJECT: SECURITY INVESTIGATIONS OF INDIVIDUALS
COMMUNIST INDEX
INTERNAL SECURITY - C

ReBulet to Albany, 10/2/58.

The following cases should be reopened and assigned
under this program:

	- 100-8099
	- 100-7925
	- 100-9083
	- 100-8941
	- 100-9048
	- 100-523
	- 100-7958
	- 100-8995

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 100-8099
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 100-9083
 100-8941
 100-9048
 100-523
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DIRECTOR, FBI (100-358086)

10/15/59

SAC, HOUSTON (100-9537)

SECURITY INVESTIGATIONS OF INDIVIDUALS
COMMUNIST INDEX
IS - C

Re: Bureau letter to Albany, dated 10/2/58, and
Houston letter to Bureau, dated 7/14/59.

Following are the statistics regarding this
program in the Houston Office:

1. Number on CI at beginning of program. . . . 42
2. Number on CI to date 19
3. Number removed from CI during period
(Two CI's added during period). . . . 18
4. Number of informants or potential
informants developed. . . . 0
5. Number of subjects placed on SI as
a result of program 0
6. Number of espionage cases opened 0
7. Number of subjects found employed at key
facilities or by classified contractors 0
8. Number of instances where this program
turned up subjects with delicate or
sensitive employment or relationships
requiring additional dissemination in
line with FBI's over-all security
responsibilities 0

At the present time, 6 of the current members are
under investigation. Four of these need only interviews to
complete the investigation. Two have not been located. Leads
are outstanding on these cases in an effort to locate them.
In the event logical leads do not locate these two subjects,
recommendations will be made in each case regarding the
advisability conducting extensive investigation in these
matters. The entire program will be completed by 11/15/59.

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DIRECTOR, FBI (100-358086)

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SAC, HOUSTON (100-9537)

SECURITY INVESTIGATIONS OF INDIVIDUALS
COMMUNIST INDEX
IS - C

RE: Houston letter to Bureau, dated 10/15/59.

Following are the final statistics regarding
this program in the Houston Office.

1. Number on CI at beginning of program ...	42
2. Number on CI to date.....	18
3. Number removed from CI during period (Three CI's added during period).....	4
4. Number of informants or potential informants developed.....	0
5. Number of subjects placed on CI as a result of program.....	0
6. Number of espionage cases opened.....	0
7. Number of subjects found employed at key facilities or by classified contractors.	0
8. Number of instances where this program turned up subjects with delicate or sensitive employment or relationships requiring additional dissemination in line with FBI's over-all security responsibilities.....	0

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DAILY WORKER & THE WORKER	
PEOPLES CHAMPION OF LIBERTY — PROGRESS — PEACE AND PROSPERITY	
PHONE: ALGONQUIN 4-7954	35 EAST TWELFTH ST.
FROM:	NEW YORK 3, N. Y.

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TO : SAC, HOUSTON

DATE: 5/11/61

FROM : SAC, NEW YORK

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SUBJECT: [REDACTED]
[REDACTED], Texas
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[REDACTED], who has furnished reliable information in the past, made available to the New York Office information concerning the above captioned subject, obtained from the building located at 23 West 26th Street, New York City. Since 4/15/57, this building has been occupied by the New York State and National Offices of the Communist Party, USA. The CP, USA has been designated by the Attorney General of the United States pursuant to Executive Order 10450. Since June, 1958, space in this building has been occupied by Publishers New Press, Inc., publisher of "The Worker," East Coast Communist weekly newspaper.

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Strict care must be exercised so that the existence of this important source of information will not become known to any outside agency. It is also to be noted that because of the nature of this source of information it will be impossible to re-contact the source regarding information furnished.

Information received on 4/24/61 by
SA EVERETT K. DEANE AND SE [REDACTED]

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The following disposition is being made of the original exhibit:

() Place in NY file # _____ Serial _____
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(X) Forwarded for your information and appropriate action.

(X) No copy of the exhibit or this letter is being retained by the NYO.

Description of exhibit:

See attached form indicating that captioned individual was a subscriber to "The Worker".

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OFFICE MEMORANDUM

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO: SAC, HOUSTON
FROM: SAC, NEW YORK
SUBJECT: [redacted] Texas
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DATE: 6/20/61

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Information received on 5/8/61 by
SA EVERETT K. DEANE and SE [redacted]

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(X) Forwarded for your information and appropriate action.

(X) No copy of the exhibit or this letter is being retained by the NYO.

Description of exhibit: See attached letter from captioned individual to "The Worker".

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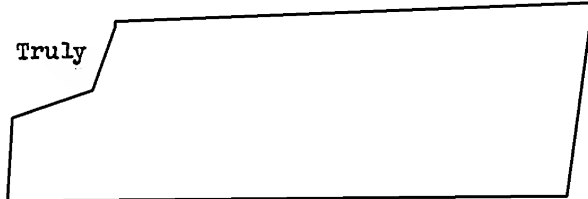
Gentlemen;

Some time back I requested a copy of the Worker in order to get the correct address, that I might subscribe for it, you were prompt in sending the paper, and upon receipt of same I mailed you the card together with 3 month subscription, and requested you to start with the Worker of April 16 as I was interested in the expose of the John Birch Society, and as of this date I have not heard from you, or received my paper.

Please look into the matter, and get the paper started as requested.

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Yours Truly



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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, Albany

DATE: May 25, 1962

FROM : ✓ Director, FBI (100-358086)

PERSONAL ATTENTION

SUBJECT: SECURITY INVESTIGATIONS OF INDIVIDUALS

100-9537*

Reference is made to Bulet to Albany, copies all offices, dated April 4, 1962; captioned "Double Agent Program, Espionage - R."

Recent developments indicate that the Soviets have under consideration the utilization of present and former members of the Communist Party for espionage purposes. There are indications of increased activity looking toward development of additional agents from among individuals affiliated in some degree with the communist movement as well as noncommunists who might be identified and developed by communists.

Our most effective weapon in combating the threat posed by the Communist Party lies in the thoroughness, imagination and ingenuity applied to the investigation of individual security subjects. While the value of security informants is well recognized, they cannot be relied upon to the exclusion of utilization of other investigative techniques.

Each case investigated should be thoroughly analyzed in the light of the above comments concerning the utilization of communists, former communists and noncommunists by the Soviets for conspiratorial purposes. The possibility of involvement in Soviet espionage should be carefully considered and completely resolved whenever there is the slightest indication that a particular subject may be so involved.

I expect you and your supervisory personnel to afford close guidance to your operations in the internal security field. You should insure that reports submitted show the results of a thorough investigation and are not limited to verification of residence and employment and routine checks of security informants.

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(F) SECURITY INVESTIGATIONS OF INDIVIDUALS - APPLICANT INVESTIGATIONS - FRAUD AGAINST THE GOVERNMENT - NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION ACT OF 1950 - NATIONAL DEFENSE EDUCATION ACT OF 1958 -- Above Acts, which make Federal funds available for scholarships, were amended by Public Law 87-835, approved October 16, 1962. Provision deleted from National Defense Education Act requiring applicant for funds to make affidavit disclaiming belief or membership in or support of any revolutionary organization.

Both Acts now require that one who applies for funds after October 1, 1962, must make "full statement regarding any crimes of which he has been convicted" since sixteenth birthday other than traffic violations for which a fine of \$25 or less imposed; and "regarding any criminal charges punishable by confinement of 30 days or more which may be pending against him" at the time of the application. Title 18, United States Code, Section 1001, applies to this provision.

The Acts also prohibit applying for, using, or attempting to use any scholarship or fellowship to be awarded from funds, part or all of which are made available under these Acts, if the applicant is a member of an organization which has registered under the Internal Security Act of 1950 or has been ordered to register by the Subversive Activities Control Board. Knowledge or notice of such registration or order is a necessary element. The Communist Party, USA, is the only organization which has been ordered to register to date. Penalty for violation of this provision is \$10,000 fine or five years' imprisonment, or both.

Violations involving the criminal record statement provision might be disclosed during the course of applicant, Security of Government Employees, and Security Matter investigations in which information would normally be developed concerning a subject's criminal record and the existence of any scholarships or fellowships under these Acts. Violations should be handled in accordance with the rules applicable in each of these classifications, and the possibility of developing such violations should be called to the attention of Agents working such cases. Agents working cases of Communist Party members or members of subversive organizations which subsequently may be required to register should be alerted to the possibility of developing violations arising out of the prohibition cited above. Cases in the latter category will be referred to the Department.

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No special classification is being given to this new legislation and violations discovered should be reported under the substantive case character.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover

Director

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